WASHINGTON, D. C., THURSDAY EVENING, MARCH 20, 1890.

## SENATOR BLAIR'S BILL.

TENNESSEE'S POSITION IN THE SISTERHOOD OF STATES

Defended by Mr. Bate-He Opposes the Bill-District Matters in Congress Proceedings of Both Houses and

In the Committees Mr. Cockrell presented the protest of the Porkpackers Association of St. Louis, against the bill for the inspection of meats, declaring it would be more injurious to stock-raising and curing in-

terests than the German and French prohibition. The protest was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. At 1 o'clock the Educational bill came up in the Senate and Mr. Bate took the floor in defense of Tennessee's position in the sisterhood of States. He opposed the bill. At 2 o'clock Mr. Blair took he floor to conclude the debate. There is some talk of postponing the bill to December next. This would be a method of killing it by indirection.

The Senate will take a vote on the Blair bill shortly after 3 o'clock.

## In the House.

Before the reading of the journal, Mr. Outhwaite of Ohio called attention to the fact that there was no quorum present. The Speaker counted the House and announced that there were but seventy-four members present. A call of the House was ordered. A quorum having been secured, the rum having been secured, the House passed a couple of public building bills and then proceeded the consideration of the Mudd-Compton contested election case from the Fifth Maryland District. Compton, contestee, addressed the House in his own behalf. He began

"Hear me for my cause, and be silent that You may liear;
Answer me in your wisdom, but prepare your judgments that you may the better judge."

He then entered into an elaborate summing up of the case from his point of view. Mr. Compton finished his speech at 2:02 o'clock, amid general and pro-longed applause upon the Democratic

He was frequently applauded during its delivery, and at its conclusion Dem-ocratic members crowded about him to congratulate him and shake his hands

armly. The Republican side was only about half filled at this time, those who were in their seats sitting mute and making no sign that they knew that anything unusual was going on. A fine bouquet graced Mr. Compton'

## The District in Congress.

The Sub-Committee of Ways and Means of the House District Committee had a meeting this morning and heard a delegation headed by ex-Commissione Webb and Mr. A. J. Curtis in favor o the bill providing \$50,000 to build a new bridge over the Eastern Branch at Bennings road. Mr. Curtis is a farmer, whose place is beyond Bennings, his house being situated on a hill and affording a fine view of the city. He has recently moved into the city and lives at 822 I street northeast. He made an exceedingly favorable impression upon the

The Engineer Commissioner in a report to the District Commissioners says the Bennings Bridge is the most important structure of the kind waiting to be creeted in the District. The matter probably come up before the full

Mr. A. G. Safford addressed the committee in favor of the bridge across the Eastern Branch at the foot of uth Capitol street. No action was

# The Ohlo Ballot-Box Case,

When the House committee charged with investigating the Ohio ballot-box forgeries adjourned on last Monday, ten days were allowed to General Grosvenor and ex-Governor Foraker in which to present their analyses in writing of the testimony. When this is done, Solicitor Hart of the Treasury Department will be recalled and asked whether or not he was approached and offered an interest in the ballot-box, he being at the time a member of Congress. It has been reported to the com-mittee that Mr. Hart has made such a statement to several persons. before the committee, but claimed he knew nothing. As this is first time anything has come to the committee showing that somebody was approaching members in the interest of the ballot box, the committee proposes to probe it to the bottom The report that Wood was to be re-called is denied.

# Reciprocity With Canada.

At a meeting of the House Committee on Foreign Aff-irs to-day a sub-committee reported a substitute for a reso lution for reciprocity with Canada, offered by Mr. Hitt of Dlinois. Mr. Hitt was directed by the full committee to report the substitute to the House. The substitute is as follows:

Resolved. That whenever it shall be duly certified to the President of the United States that the government of the Dominion of Canada has declared a desire to enter of Canada has declared a desire to enter into such commercial arrangements with the Urited States as will result in the com-plete removal of all duties upon trade be-tween Canada and the United States, he shall appoint three commissioners to meet those who may be designated to represent the government of Canada, to consider the est method of extending the trade relations etween Cauada and the United States, and o ascertain on what terms greater freedom of intercourse between the two countries

## The Immigration Question, There was a joint meeting of the Sennie and House Committees on Immigra-

tion this morning, at which the resolutions adopted by the German societies protesting against the prohibition or restriction of immigration, and which have been printed in THE CRITIC, were presented by Mr. Rosewater, editor of he Omaha Bee.

# MCKENNA'S MISTARE.

# It is Claimed He Let the Tariff Bill Leak Out,

There has been a good deal of feel ing demonstrated on the House side of the Capitol during the past two days. particularly in the neighborhood of the room of the Committee on Ways and Means, over the action of the Republi-can members of the committe in giving sugar men lest Monday night the sugar schedule agreed upon.

Every effort was used to keep a knowledge of the schedule front eastern sugar men. Mr. McKenna of Califoruis, one of the committee was au-thorized to give it out in the West on his representation that California was | of the total.

particularly interested in the sugar

He promptly gave out not only the sugar schedule, but the whole bill to the correspondents of California news-papers, and the California sugar speculators would have had at least twenty-four hours' advantage of the Eastern men in knowledge of the suga schedule, had not a knowledge of Mr

McKenna's action leaked out here.
Some of the Republicans say that Mr. McKenna was not authorized to give the bill to the press, but that he was authorized to make known some of its provisions to "a few friends on the coast." The Republican members of the Ways and Means Committee have been kept very busy for two days explaining the leak.

## CLERKS TEMPTED FORTUNE,

## And She Smiled on Them, but the Messenger got the "Boodle," Just before the March drawing of

the Department of Justice determined to tempt fortune. They formed a pool and contributed an aggregate of \$25, which was entrusted to a colored messenger to buy the necessary tickets. The dusky individual took the money. After the drawing he informed the members of the pool that their numbers were not men tioned in the official list of the drawing and that he had burned the tickets up. The clerks sighed, made some remarks about "same old luck," and went back to their routine work in the same old routine way.

A few days after the colored man bought \$300 worth of diamonds. As hts salary is only \$60 a month the clerks in the pool are satisfied that one at least of their twenty-five numbers was mentioned in the official list aforesaid. They are very angry— very angry, indeed. But inas-much as the Department of Justice is engaged in a legal war upon the lottery they indulge in their anger in secret and are endeavoring to keep the story quiet. The next time they want to tempt the goddess of luck they will buy their own tickets.

# MEDICINE AND DENTISTRY,

#### The National Medical College Graduates a Large Class,

The sixty-eighth annual commencement of the National Medical College, Medical and Dental Department of the Columbian University, was held this afternoon at Albaugh's Opera-House. The Marine Band furnished the music.

In Medicine-Edwin W. Ashford, District In Medicine—Edwin W. Ashtord, District of Columbia; William W. Ayres, Pennsylvania; Madison M. Brewer, Kansas; Charles S. Elliott, Kansas; George W. Fitch, New Jersey; Harris H. Freeze, Nebrasks; Charles H. Gardner, Maryland; Henry S. Goodall, Vermont; Charles S. Kalb, Virginia; John T. Kelley, jr., Maryland; John W. Klemm, New York; Louis Mackall, jr., District of Columbia; Daniel P. McCornack, Wisconsin; Oscar A. Menocal, District of Columbia; Veranus A. Moore, Net Cernack, Wisconsin, Oscar A. Menocal, District of Columbia: Veranus A. Moore, New York: Daisy M. Orleman, Florida; William F. R. Phillips, Virginia; Sterling Ruffin, North Carolina; John J. Shirley, Wisconsin; John E. Walsh, District of Columbia.

Columbia.

In Dentistry—Stephen B. Cassin, District of Columbia; Jessie Kappeler, England; Charles M. O'Leary, John L. Refd and Thomas W. Stubblefield, District of Columbia.

The spacious opera-house was thronged with the relatives, friends and sweethearts of the graduates. The usual presentation of flowers was

# THE M'CALLA CHARGES.

Examination of the Enterprise's Commander Still Going On.

NEW YORK, March 20 .- On the opening of the McCalla court of inquiry this morning the reply of the court to Mr. Choate's question of Wednesday as o the scope and extent of the present nvestigation was read The Court considers it is its duty.

both by the regulation and precept, to report its conclusions as to the facts that it may deem to be established by the evidence, but not opinions as to whether further judicial action should

The Admiral then said; "I want to state that this is not a court-martial— only a court of inquiry. Commander McCalla has not been arraigned on any

Ensign Kline was then beard

# ROBBERY OF JEWELRY.

Frank Hoffa's Store Broken Into Early This Morning. At an early hour this morning Hoffa's

jewelry store, at 409 Seventh street, was robbed of an amount of jewelry which connot be estimated. Entrance was effected through the show-window by breaking it with a stone. Watches to the value of \$160 were

ended for the bazar at Gonzaga Hall. Huffa cannot exactly estimate his loss, but thinks it will be several hundred dollars. Had it been ardertaken to night he says the haul would have been a richer one, as he would have had on display in the win dew \$2,000 worth of goods intended or the fair to be given by Lincoln

# Mr Randall Better.

Representative Randall has had no set-back of any kind for several weeks, and he is now in better condition than he has been at any time since his return to this city. Mr. Randall's interest in ablic affairs is steadily increasing as his strength improves, and he is now as well up in Congressional affairs as any member of the House, and is freely consulted by bis many friends. It is now hoped that when the spring weather gets settled he will be able to

District Government Notes The Commissioners have certified to Congress for inclusion in the Deficiency bill the judgment rendered in favor of Harriet A. B. Cortz for injuries sus-tained by reason of a defect in the side-

Major Moore has been ordered by the Commissioners to remove the obstruction in front of 920 Louisiana avenue which was complained of by Pelix

#### It is understood that the Condory case is not settled yet and that there is prospect of some additional develop-

ments in a few days. Mr. Dick was in

consultation with his attorney, C. Maurice Smith, last evening, but he

was not at liberty to state what steps

would be taken next. Figures Never Lte. Government statistics show a total importation in the last 10 years of 2,620,811 cases of champagne, composed of more than 30 brands. That of G. H. Mumm & Co.'s Extra Dry was over 225,000 cases more than of any other, or about one-quarter

# BUT A HARMLESS CRANK

THE "GIGANTIC FRAUD" ON THE ADAMS EXPRESS COMPANY

forms Out to Be the Work of a Well-Known Monomantae, Who Begins Sults Every Year and Never Gets Anything-A Subject for an Asylum.

St. AUGUSTINE, FLA., March 20 .ohn Hoey, of the Adams Express Company, who is now here, says that Dr. Harrison Wagner, who was arrested in Washington yesterday, is a monomaniac who has annoyed the Adams Express Company for years by commencing suits for imaginary damages.

Mr. Hoey thinks Wagner should be ent to an insane asylum. Boston, March 20.—In reference to the arrest in Washington yesterday of Dr. Harrison Wagner, Mr. Waldo Adams says: "The arrest is made to see if we cannot prevent the constant anthe Louisiana Lottery fifteen clerks in novance and trouble of these bogus suits. This man Wagner is a harmless lunatic, whose lunacy takes the form of bringing an annual suit against the ompany. He has no claim whatever, and never presents any, but we have to answer to the suits just the same, and are put to expense and trouble on ac-count of it. His suit is brought every year in a different State, and compound nterest is added to the claim.

FREDERICKSBURG, VA., March 20 .-Four indictments against Harrison Wagner were found yesterday by the grand jury at Stafford Courthouse. They charge forgery in connection with the papers in the suit against the Adams Express Company.

Dr. Wagner is locked up in one of the witness rooms over at the Twelfth-street station-house. He talked to a Critic reporter this morning about his claim in a rambling way that would at once convince any hearer of his being mentally unbalanced. His story is so poor that it doesn't seem to even convince himself. He can't remember any of the dates in connection with his case. He says the original magistrates' judgments were given him in Frederick, Md., for overcharges in express rates by the Adams Company. He says he used to be a manufacturer of patent medicines, which he shipped by express, and his suit for something like two millions grows out of overcharges

on these medicines. He is a wirey tittle man, with wildlooking blue eyes and scroggy beard.

A Rhinestone diamond stud nestles in his shirt bosom. But his rambling story wouldn't "fool" a boy. His suit is laughed at, of course, and no one has regarded it seriously; save some of the newspapers. The Doctor is more de-serving of pity than of punishment, and he should be sent to an insane asylum. Lawyer E. B. Hay called on him at the station bouse last night and found a group of reporters at his cage door greedily listening to his queer story. The lawyer advised him not to talk and he stopped. He told the reporter this merning that his health was very poor, and that his present arrest is but one of the schemes of the Adams Express Company to keep him out of his rights. The requisition for his removal to Fredericksburg is expected to arrive here this afternoon.

Inspector Swindles, after having had an interview with Dr. Wagner yester-day afternoon, became thoroughly convinced that he was crazy, and this is the conclusion that everyone else has come to who has had anything to do with the

Ed. Hay. Wagner's attorney, was seen by a Curric reporter this after-noon and asked what he was going to do with his "patient" at the First precinct. "Well," he said, "I am at a loss to know what to do with him. There is The man one thing positively certain. is insane on the subject of litigation, and he has been so for a number of years. They have no possible case against him in Virginia, and they ought not to be permitted to take him down there and lock him up. He is one of the Pinchback sort of fellows. Give him a deed to the whole of Washington and he would go up and file it and open litigation for Humanity demands that

should not be taken down to Freder icksburg and locked up, for he is un-doubtedly insane. This whole thing has been gotten up for a joke by the newspapers and they are carrying it out pretty well, but wasting a good deal of

Mr. Hay said that he should apply for a writ of habeas corpus and have his client taken from the First Precinct some time this afternoon.

# EX-CONGRESSMAN SCOTT.

#### He Wants to Go to the Legislature to Help His Schatorial Boom,

Ex-Congressman William L. Scott of the Erie district of Pennsylvania will be a candidate for the lower house of he Legislature. He has made an ar rangement with the other Democratic leaders of the State that if he can succeed in electing a Demo-eratic Legislature he will be the recogzed Democratic candidate for the United States Senate to succeed Don It is further agreed that ex-Senator Wallace shall be the Democratic nominee for Governor this year. final clause in the arrangement is to the effect that the Pennsylvania delegation in the next Democratic National Convention shall be solid for ex-President

Mr. Scott wants to go to the Legislature o forward his own boom for the Senate Eric County is Republican, but of late years has sometimes sent a Democrat to the Legislature. Mr. Scott will do his evel best to make this one of Erie County's Democratic years.

Claims of the Heirs of John Roach, The Advisory Board of the Navy Deartment, composed of Rear Admiral Harmony, Captain Skerrett, Chief Eugiscer Henderson, Naval Constructor Hanscom, Civilian Experts Steer and Archbold, to day began the considera-tion of the claims of the heirs of John Reach to \$90,000 for extra work on the cruisers Chicago, Boston and Atlanta. se far these claims have been the subcet of contention, as it is alleged the work done was not contracted for.

# Boom in American Steel Rails,

Consul General Sutton, at Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, informs the State Department that within a short period over 2,500 tons of American steel rails have been purchased in the United States for use on the Monterey and Mexican Gulf Ra.lroad. These ralls, he states, are purchased at a lower price than European ralls can be bought for and transported here. It is, he states, the t large importation of steel rails into

An Unharmonious Conferes, BEHLIN, March 20. M. Delhaye, French delegate to the Labor Conference, has resigned in consequence of differences with his colleagues.

## BOLGER DEFEATS WHITE,

This Morning's Short but Hot Fight

Over in Maryland. Mike Bolger of this city knocked out William White of Boston in a three-round fight this forenoon. The encounter took place about 9 o'clock just on the other side of the Maryland line, and in spite of great efforts to preine, and in spite of great efforts to prevent the presence of any but those who had been given the "tip" and had paid the amount necessary to entitle them to that privilege the mill was witnessed by a large crowd.

It was one of the hottest fights that

has been seen in this locality for some When they stripped and entered the ring both men were apparently well matched, but from beginning to end of the short and decisive battle Bolzer showed himself to be the better man. In the first round his third blow landed on White's nose, drawing a coplousupply of claret, and he was awarded first blood. The round ended with a knock-down for Bolger.

At the commencement of the second

round White seemed to have hardly re-covered from the dazed condition into which Bolger's vigorous rushes had thrown him, and he meekly accepted considerable punishment. A smart rib-roaster, however, had the strange effect of brightening him up somewhat, and he made a short-lived effort at retaliation. After getting in a couple of good body blows, how-ever, he entirely collapsed and was sent o grass with great ease.

In the third round there was no fight-

all. When White staggered from his corner into the centre of the ring he was unrecognizable owing to the blood that covered his face and dripped down in crimson streams over his breast. He was in no condition to fight any further, and, after a few ineffectual attempts to ward off the blows of his opponent, his second threw up the sponge and the fight was awarded to Bolger.

# FIGHTING FEATHER-WEIGHTS,

Connors Knocks Out Danforth Before a Thousand Spectators,

NEW ORLEANS, March 29.-James Connors of Buffalo, N. Y., and Tommy Danforth of New York, both featherweights, fought with five-ounce gloves before a thousand spectators in the Young Men's Gymnastic Club last night, Connors winning in the twenty fourth round. Time was called at 9:47 Danforth bad the best of the first round landing some swinging right-handers on Connors' face and body, Connors reply-ing on his nose and left eye.

Danforth did the leading in the sec-

ond. Connors closed Danforth's left

The seventh was the rattling round, Danforth rished and dazed Connors and swung his right on his left eye and wen first blood. Thereafter Danforth continued the rushing and had the best of it until toward the tenth. Connors did some leading and both tried to make a knock out. Both freshened and

In the twenty-second Connors scored the first knockdown by a right-hander in the neck, and followed it up, when Dapforth rose, with a vicious upper cut into his face. Danforth looked grogey. In the twenty-third Danforth rushed, but was cross-countered on the chest. In another rush he fell from the force of a blow which he did not land. Danforth landed his right on Connors' cut eye and Connors retalisted with a stinging right-hander in the

short ribs. In the twenty fourth Connors led. He found Danforth's neck with his right, followed it with the left on the body, and by that means getting Dan forth in the right position, swinging his right in straight from the shoulde with awful force on Danforth's left jaw. Danforth went to earth. When he went down before he ay motionless for fully ten seconds. was thought he was repeating these actics, but time was called and he did ctics, but time was carred about of Ase, and Connors was awarded the

It took some minutes to bring Dan forth round. His punishment being mainly body blows, he did not look bad. Connors had an ugly cut eye and bloody nose. The fight was for a purse of \$700 \$200 to the loser. The club will match Conners against Murphy of California.

# AN ODD ACCIDENT.

#### River Boats Wrecked by a Hill Falling Down.

CAIRO, ILL., March 20.-Water undermined a hill at Columbus, Ky. on the Mississippi, south of here, yesterday morning and an area of three acres was carried into the river. A wave twenty feet high wrecked four small boats and the large Iron Mountain transfer steamer, Julius Morgan. She as litted by the waves and came down n piling, which staved holes in the atem of the boat, the piles going above he engine-room.

# THE MISSISSIPPI PLOOD.

## No Liffort Made to Close the Crevasse-The River Falling.

GREENVILLE, Miss., March 20 .- The water from the Offutt break is now within four miles of this town, and a small embankment is being thrown up to keep it out, though no danger is ap prehended. The river has fallen five inches since the levee at Luna broke. No effort is being made to close that revasse and it is growing wider.

Provisions for Destitute Miners.

WILKESDARDE, PA., March 20 .- The work of distributing provisions and supplies among the destitute miners was actively commenced here yesterday. The distributing force of the benevaent society were kept hard at work al day, and the storeroom was crowded with applicants for ald, chiefly women, who told sad stories of want.

Archbishop Heiss Approaching Death, LA CROSSE, Wis., March 20 .- The condition of Archbishop Helss remains about the same as during the past forty-eight hours. He rallied a little yesterday, but relapsed during the evening. A consultation of physicians was held and they report that the prelate may pass away at any moment.

Minnie Maddern Married. New York, March 20 .- Minute Madlern, the well-known actress, was married yesterday afternoon to Harrison rey Fiske, Editor of the Dramatic or, It is stated that "Miss Maddern" wil ermanently retire from the stage. The newly-wedded pair started on a wedding trip to the West last night.

An Expensive Bookkeeper PHILADELPHIA, March 20.-J. F Armstrong, the embezzling bookkeeper of J. H. Billington & Co., was given further hearing yesterday and held in \$10,000 ball for trial. Experts testified that there was a deficit of \$11,000 in his

## "A SUSCEPTIBLE NATION,"

Lord Sallsbury Tries to be Funny With

LONDON, March 20,-The meeting of the Conservative members of Parliament called for to-day at the Carlton Club was presided over by Lord Salisbury. He addressed the assemblage at some length. He said he regretted the slow progress of public business. The government had met with obstructions of the most determined kind. Herequested the members of the Conservative party in the House of Commons to attend the sessions regu-larly and give close attention to business. The Tithes bill was of paramough importance, and the bill should receive its second reading before Easter. The expressed the belief that proposals for the purchase of Irish lands would rerive the unanimous support of the

Much misrepresentation, he declared, had been indulged in regarding the proposed Assisted Education bill, and he urged the members to reserve their opinions until the measure had been ntroduced in the House of Commons At the conclusion of Lord Salisbury address several members expressed the hope that the government would not permit the Boers to acquire Swaziland, in South Africa.

in South Africa.

Lord Salisbury denied that the Government intended to hand over to the Boors the control of Swaziland. He also expressed the hope that the Behring Sea matter would soon be settled. tled, but added that with so susceptible a nation as the United States the Government could not negotiate at the top of its voice (loud laughter).

Lord Salisbury ridiculed the idea that a dissolution of Parliament was imminent. He severely consured the luke-warness of the Tories, which he said had contributed to such reverses as the present government had met.

Lord Salisbury has asserted that the

new Irish bill would guarantee the se-curity of the property of Irish landlords. A vote of thanks was then accorded to Lord Salisbury.

## AFTER A RUNAWAY WIFE,

Left Husband, Home and Children for an Ignorant Tramp. CHICAGO, March 20 .- Sheriff Allinger of Sidney, Ohio, is in Chicago lookng for a runaway wife. The woman, whose name is withheld, is the wife of

one of the wealthiest citizens of Fort

Jefferson, Ohio. The man for whom

she left husband, home and children is said to be a worthless and ignorant Last Saturday afternoon the woman blained about \$100 from her husband, gathered her jewels and other valuables together and left for Muncle, Ind., where she met her paramour, and together they came to Chicago.

# PROSECUTED FOR THE ACCIDENT,

Conductor Houghtaling of the Fated Lake Shore Train in Court, BUFFALO, March 20. - The Lake Shore Company have discharged Conductor Houghtaling and Engineer Mooney for violating the company's rules and causing the recent fatal dis-aster at Bayview. Houghtaling was arraigned in the police court yesterday on a charge of violating his duty as a conductor. Coroner Tucker made the affloavit against bim. He pleaded not guilty, and was held in \$500 for the Court of Sessions.

Baby Stewart has recovered from her attack of pneumonia.

#### AMERICASS DON'T CO-OPERATE With the English Freight Handlers With much Enthusiasm.

LONDON, March 20 .- The freight handlers are in communication with labor leaders in New York, but have received little encouragement in the way of co-operation or pecuniary assistance from them. A committee is to disagreements that exist and make arrangements for their removal. There should be no reason, the English lead-ers say, why the laborers at each port should not be in perfect harmony, and rule the enormous traffic in the interest of the most indispensable and the most despised portion of the commu-

# HE SWINDLED COUNTRYMEN.

Tobacco Warehouseman Poindexter Disappeared With the Money. DANVILLE, VA., March 20 .- The sudden disappearance of Gideon K. Poindexter, the warehouseman, continues to be a sensation, and his whereabouts re unknown. Some persons believe but he left with \$15,000, if not more. The countrymen whose tobacco he sold are out about \$3,000. One hunred attachments have been issued gainst persons supposed to be indebted

Poindexter. Would Kill the Sugar Industry, SAN FRANCISCO, March 20 .- When slid the effect of the proposed reaction in the duty on sugar on the beet sugar industry of California, John D. Spreckels replied: "It will kill it. If the proposed bill passes we shall not out up machinery for a second refinery but will send it back to Germany."

# Stole \$15,000 a Year Ago.

MISSOULA, MONT., March 20 .- W. S. Paine and C. A. Searles, former employes of the Northern Pacific express office at Brainers, Minn., were arrested here yesterday for robbing that company of \$15,000 about a year ago. The men have been living here about six months.

Eight Deaths in One Family, Zanesville, Onto, March 20.—The 3º- months'-old daughter of the late Hon. John C. McGregor died yesterday.

This makes eight deaths in the family in less than a month, all dying of diph-theria, except the child who died yesterday. She died of lung fever. Fled in Their Shirts. NEW YORK, Murch 20 .- A fire in the Hotel Bristol, No. 17 East Eleventh street, early this morning, created a panic among the guests, many of whom fled to the street clad in very light ap-parel. The fire was extinguished after

## a loss of \$5,000 was caused. SHELBYVILLE, IND., March 20,-Thomas Vandevers' saw mill at Brookfeld, ten miles west of here, was blown up by dynamite and completely wrecked Tuesday night. The loss is several thousand dollars. The identity of the

perpetrator is unknown.

A Destructive Cyclose to a tax upon grain imports. St. Joseph, Mo., March 20 .- A very destructive eyelone struck the town of Doniphan, Neb., early last night. All trains are from six to eight hours late. Wires are down, and no particulars can be learned as yet.

# HE LEFT A GREAT VOID.

CHANCELLOR BISMARCK'S RESIGNA-TION SHOOK ALL EUROPE.

Peace of the Continent Thought by Some to He Endangered by the Change in Germany's Ministry ... Comments of the European Press.

LONDON, March 20 .- The Times' Ber-Hn correspondent says he had an excellent chance to study General Von Caprivi at the military maneuvres last autump. In appointing him the Enseror decided to follow the idea of his father, Emperor Frederick, that a great general is the best conductor of a foreign colley, because he best knows how far he can go without an army behind him. There is said to be a remarkable like ness between Bismarck and Caprivi.

The Standard's Berlin dispatch says General Von Caprivi is opposed to in-creasing the strength of the navy, a neasure which the Emperor favors St. Petersburg, March 20.-The isti, commenting on the resignation of Prince Bismarck, says: "The solitary support of the edifice of European peace has crumbled."

Paris, March 20,-There is a generally anxious feeling here. A rumor prevails that the German Ambassador will resign. The rumor has a depress-ing effect on the Bourse.

Berlin, March 20.-The National Zeitung, referring to Prince Bismarck's remark to one of the Italian delegates, Signor Boccardo, yesterday, that the paths of Italy and Germany would be identical in the future as they had been in the past, says it can be confidently applied to the foreign policy of Germany generally. Nothing in the appointing of General Von Caprivi to succeed Prince Bismarck, the paper says, is threatening. Attention is called to the fact that the Duke of Wellington was at one time Prime Minister of Great Britain, and the Zeitung declares that German generals appreciate the bless-ings of peace no less than other Ger-

mans in responsible positions.

The Vossieche Zeitung says: "The tension of European politics has been brought to a climax by the fact that the destinies of Europe have suddenly been deprived of their axis. Prince Bismarck was a guarantee of peace. His successor will be compelled to imme-diately deal with the question of a reduction of the military burden in the interests of peace. The nation wit-nesses the retirement of Prince Bismarck with regret but without anx-

lety."
The North German Gazette give reminence to a report that General Von Caprivi not only succeeds to the Chancellorship, but to the Presidency

of the Ministry. The Intransigeant, commenting on Prince Bismarck's resignation says that var is certain to break out before long. The Siccle fears that some rash act of be Emperor will disturb the peace of Europe.

LONDON, March 20 .- Among the many guesses as to Prince Bismarck's proposition to Dr. Windthorst is one that the German Clerical leader will sound Catholic prelates on the Conti-nent as to the opinions which they and the influential persons of their faith have of the possibility and advisability of steps being taken toward a gradual re luction of the immense standing armies slich each power feels to be insupportable burdens. This is as good a con-jecture as any other and only emphasizes the opinion that the framework of Europe is too soon to be as heavily sbaken as in France a century ago.

# BISMARCK IN BRIEF

His Full Name and His Great Work for the Fatherland. The full name of the retiring Chan

cellor is Otto Edward Leopold Bismarck-Schoenhausen. He was born in the district of Magdeburg, April 1 1815. His father was a captain in the Royal Guard of Prussia, and his The following are the prices of the New York and Chicago markets as reported by special wire to C. T. Havenner & Co., Room 11 Atlantic building: mother was the daughter of Cabinet Councellor Menken. He was admitted to the bar in 1885, and served his mili-tary term in Potsdam and Greifswald. As a member of the Prussian Diet in 1849-'50, he advocated increased mon archical power and the consolidation of the German nationality with Austrian aid. His diplomatic work in Vicuna. Petersburg and Paris tended to prose Austria and to conciliate Russia,

and, at the end of 1862, he was Prussia's Premier and Foreign Minister. He devoted himself to increasing the military power of Prussia, and used Austria for his ends. After the Gastein esvention in 1864 he was made a count d given authority over the newly aculted Schleswig-Holstein territories. The war of 1866, with Italy as an ally, stroyed Austria's power as a German Confederation made him the idol I the German people. The South Ger-nen States made one cause with the North German Confederation, under Pressla's lead in throwing back the Freech in 1870-71. Count Bismarck made the King an Emperor, and the Emperor made the Count a Prince and

Chancellor of the German Empire. In 1872 Bismarck opposed the Papal infallibility, expelled the Jesuits from Prussia and insisted upon the subjection of the Roman Catholic Church to the civil government. His latest political move since the destruction of the Cartel majority by the recent elections has been to agree to give back to the Clerical or Centrist party, led by Dr. Windshorst, almost all that he took from them in order to buy their co operation with what is left of the Cartel party against the Socialists in the Reichstag.

The Chancellor's Successor, The full name of Prince Bismarck's necessor is George Leovon Caprivi de Caprara de Montecuculi. He was born in Berlin in 1891, and entered the army lieuterant, for live years as captain, and during the war of '65 was appointed major. It was not until after the Franco Prussian war that he received the appointment of colonel. In 1877 he commanded a brigade of guards in

vision in Metz. Ishak Khan at Afghanistan, LONDON, March 20.-It is reported that Ishak Khan is at Bokhara with a large force equipped with repeating rifles and artillery, ready to invade Afglianistan.

Berlin, with the rank of major general

and in '82 he was made lieutenant cen

general and given command of the di

No Tax on Grain Imports, BRUSSELS, March 20.-The Minister of Husbandry in the Chamber of Repreentatives yesterday refused to consent

The Queen's Cup London, March 20.—The Queen has donated a cup, valued at 100 guiness, to be raced for next summer, under the auspices of the Albert Yacht Club.

## BLED TO DEATH

Life-Blood of a Ratcher.

sistant in the market of Joseph Rokos,

was engaged in stripping a leg of veal

suspended from a hook. He suddenly cried out in a tone of alarm: "The knife slipped; I've out nyself!" Rokos sprang to his assistance. He found that the sharp knife which Slejska was

using—a long, keen-edged instrument—and which he was pulling downward, had entered the inside of his right thigh, about a foot above the knee.

naking a deep, clean gash several

inches long.

The blood spurfed out in such quanti-

thes that Rokos saw in an instant that the femoral artery had been severed. The man's clothing was quickly drenched with blood, which ran over

the floor, spurted over the blocks and baskets, and gave the market the veritable appearance of a slaughter-house. Rokos assisted Slejska into a

back room, told him to grasp his leg tightly, and ran for a doctor. He re-turned with a physician in less than ten

minutes, but it was too late. Slejska

BRIEF DREAM OF BLISS.

Wilkesbarre Man's Wife Elopes After a Short Honeymoon.

WILKESBARRE, PA., March 20,-John

Bowman and Miss Norah Healey were

married at St. Vincent's Church, Ply-

mouth, three weeks ago, Father Mack

officiating. Last Monday evening the bride of three weeks eloped with a young Philadelphian named James Wright. The latter was on a visit to

friends in Plymouth,
Mrs. Bowman fell desperately in love

with him, and in a message left for her husband said she was sorry that ane had put him to so much trouble in mar-rying her, for, had she met Wright be-

fore the ceremony took place, she would have certainly married him. Something told her that Wright was

destined to make her happy, and Bow-

his wife's arrest. He claims when she

eloped with Wright she took all his

money. The parties are members of

good families, and when the marriage took place there was a big reception.

WINE, WOMEN AND POKER

Result in an Embezzlement of Twenty

Thousand Dollars,

James S. Kennedy, jr., foreign money

order clerk in the San Francisco post

office, was arrested last night for em-

orders before they were entered on the

He had been shadowed for several

lays, and when arrested last night had evidently made full preparations for

Baseball for Worcester.

WORCESTER, MASS., March 20 .- Del-

siness men, who agreed to repurchase

visitors gave assurances that Washing-ton would be admitted as the eighth

gaged as manager of the Worcesters.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

The Chicago Markets.

MILEAT, Open Close PORK, Open Close
May... 794 804 May... 10 40 10 42
June... 794 804 June... 10 47 10 47
July... 774 784 July... 10 45 10 47
COLES.

HARD.

May... 292 30 May... 6 07 6 12
June... 304 304 June... 6 15 6 15
July... 31 314 July... 6 15 6 20
OAZE.

Washington Stock Exchange

Washington Stock Exchange,
Sales-Regular Call-12 o'clock m.spital National Bank, 10 at 110. Capiol and North O Street Raffroad, 10 at 65;
0 at 65; 10 at 65; 10 at 65; 50 at 65;
ckington and Soldlers' Rome Raffroad,
2 at 78. Chesapeake and Potemac Telehebe, 20 at 851; 20 at 852. American
rephophone, 50 at 142; 50 at 142. Washagton Lear and Trust Company, 100 at
100 at 5.
Miscellaneous Bonds — U. S. Electric

ngton Lean and Trust Company, 109 at 3; 100 at 3.

Miscellaneous Bonds — U. S. Electric Light 51, 6's, 150; U. S. Electric Light 51, 6's, 14; W. & G. R. R. 10-40 6's, 179-223, 1051; W. & G. Convertible, 6's, 170, Masonic Hall Ass'n, 5's, C 1898, 198; Wash, Murket Co., 1st Mort., 0's, 110; Wash, Murket Co., 120, 100; 130; 130; 131'd & Scaboard Co., 6's, C 1897, —; Wash, Li, Infantry, 1st, 6's, 1804 104; Wash, Gas Light Co., Ser. A, 60s, 1204; Wash, Gas Light Co., Ser. A, 60s, 1204; Wash, Gas Light Co., Ser. B, 6's, 1914.

National Bank Stocks—Bank of Washungton, 490; Bank of Republic, 300; Metrological Series of the contract of the

gron, 490; Bank of Republic, 200; Metro-olitan, 200; Central, 280; Second, 185; armers and Mechanics', 1881 Chizens',

811 92 915 913 914 913

Northwest .. 1102 1103 Jimaha ... 312 312 do. pfd ... P. M. S. S. 374 373

New York Stocks,

maintain a club here this season.

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL., March 20 .-

The husband has offered a reward for

had bled to death.

An Accident Which Drained the HIS ACCUSER SHOWN TO BE A VERY New York, March 20,-John BAD CHARACTER dejska, a butcher, employed as as-

He Bossted He Would Make the Lieu-

STEELE'S VINDICATION.

tenant Suffer, and that He Precipitated the Quarrel Intentionally-Wants to Go in a Dime Museum,

CHICAGO, March 20.-The members of the Steele court-martial were treated to something of a sensation this morning, and the subsequent proceedings were anything but agreeable to ex-Prirate Wild, Lieutenant Steele's accuser. Just as soon as the voluminous record

of yesterday had been read, Lieutenant Crowder of counsel for Steele, Informed the Court that some important evidence had come into his possession. He went on to say that three days ago Wild visited the general offices of the local recruiting sergeant and in the course of a lengthy conversation, plentifully interlarded with vile epithets, had stated that he bore a percpithets, and stated that he bore a per-senal grudge against Steele and had at last a chance to get even. He intended, he said, to get him imprisoned or cashiered. Wild went on to say that Steele had once refused to do him a favor, and in consequence he was "laying for him." Under ordipary circumstances he would have done the work desired by Steele, but he made up his mind that he would not, and said as much to the men of his troop when

Steele sent for him. Several of these men watched him out of the window at the time of the now famous scrimmage to see if he kept his word. He went on in a braggadocial manner to say that he had served fifteen years in the army, but had never yet got a five-years discharge from any company. He proposed to make as much money out of the row as he could, so long as the museums were willing to pay him for posing as a freak. As to his previous service, un-der the name of Ward, he said that the disclosure came from a man to whom he had written and who had been cur

enough to give him away.

After this statement had been read Wild was recalled and questioned regarding the truth of each paragraph. garding the truth of each paragraph. His invariable replies were: "I won't answer," "That's got nothing to do with the case," "I'm not on trial."

Sergeant Antoine Wenweith of the ocal recruiting station, a dignified of-

some of the best people in Plymouth being present. The girl's parents are at a loss to account for her action. ficer with an impressive manner, was then called and confirmed the statement that Wild had talked to him as reported. Wild had volunteered all the information and was not solicited to say anything. By order of the court Wild was brought in with Post Trader Commas, who bears a close resemblance to the former, and the two were confronted with Wenweith. The witness rising, and pointing at Wild, said in impressive tones, "That is the man who talked in my office." bezzlement. The amount of his peculaions is about \$20,000. He occupied the position eight years, and his stealings began about a year ago. He had an ingenious plan of making the cash balance every night by abstracting

worked nervously and he seemed about to spring at his accuser. "Leave the to spring at his acceser. Leave the room," said the judge-advocate in a sharp tone, and he about faced and retired with a swagger.

Sergeant Harrigan of the Eighth Cavalry was called, and testined regard-ing Lieutenant Steele's invariable cour-

Wild's eyes tlashed, his fingers

flight, as \$2,000 in bills was found hidden in his trousers. He was a Republican, appointed under General Backus. Wine, women and poker consumed his tesy and gentlemanly bearing on all oc-casions toward the enlisted men. The immense audience was to-day largely composed of members of the regular Army and militia, and during the recess there was a consensus of opinion that the developments of the past two days would bring the sensational affair to a close with Lieutenant egates of several Atlantic League clubs were here yesterday conferring with

# IRREGULAR COURTS MARTIAL,

Secretary Proctor says Common Soldiers must Have Counsel Secretary Proctor has been giving his personal attention to the subject of irregular courts martial of private soldiers at military posts, many of whom counsel. The Wild case has em-Secretary Proctor Issued an order directing that hereafter commanding officers at posts where general court-martials are convened shall at the request of any prisoner who is to be arraigned detail a suitable officer of the command as counsel to defend such prisoner. If there be no such officer available at the post the fact is to be

reported to the appointing authority for Why Gladstone Doesn't Go to Ireland, London, March 20 .- Mr. Gladstone states that the reason for his not paying a visit to Ireland is that his presence there might exasperate his political oppopents in Ulster, whose severance, on he Irish question, from the most of their fellow countrymen, as well as from the principles of their ancestors, perhaps the greatest Irish misfortune

f the present day. A Very Leaky Jail. WILMINGTON, DEL., March 20,-Harrison Rothwell, alias "Sugar Awful," a notorious thief, escaped rom New Castle jall last night. This makes thirty-three convicts who taken "French leave" of Sheriff Allen within the past five months. Rothwell months on a ten years' sentence for

house robbery. A Cleveland Postmaster to Resign NIAGARA FALLS, N. Y., March 20,-Benjamin Rhodes, postmaster at this place, has tendered his resignation. Mr. Rhodes was appointed under Cleveland and has about a year still to serve. It is expected that his successor will be appointed at once.

NEW YORK, March 25.-John Whiteread, the fireman who had his legs cut off yesterday morning by a collision between two switch engines at the Hospital this morning.

Permits to Build.

Permits to build were to-day granted

nd, 50.

Eallicoid Stocks — Washington and cornetown, 275; Metropolitan, 165; Combin, 70; Capitol and North O Street, it Eckington and Soldier's Home, 75; rightwood, 31. Striking Miners Successful, Loxbon, March 20 .- The conference ciween the mine owners and their peratives to day resulted in the grantng to the men of an immediate advance wages of 5 per cent.

Brightwood, 31.
Lesurance Stocks—Firemen's, 45; Franklin, 20; Metropolitan, 80; National Union,
304; Arlington, 180; Corcoran, 63; Columbia, 174; German-American, 180; Potomac,
88; Riggs, 82; People's 54;
Title Insurance Stocks—Real Estate
Title, 1234; Columbia Title, 64; Washington
Title. as follows: J. D. McGuire, eight twostory brick dwellings, 1120 to 1124 K Title, — Gas and Electric Light Stocks—Washing-ton Gas, 441; Georgetown Gas, 48; U. S. Electric Light, 115. Telephone Stocks—Pennsylvania, 275; Chesapeaku and Fotomac, 85; American treet, 923 and 925 Twelfth street, and 1126 to 1130 Georgia avenue southeast, 86 000: George A. Jordan, one three story brick dwelling, 1517 P street northwest, \$19,000; Charles C, Martin, one brick three story dwelling.

Chesapienke and Polomac, 85; American Graphophone, 141.

Miscellaneous Stocks.—Washington Market Co., 18; Washington Brick Machine Co., 250; Great Yalls Ice Co., 186; Buil into Panorama Co., 53; National Safe Deposit, 240; Washington Safe Deposit, 1274; Washington Loan and Trust Co., 24; National Typographic, 20; Mergenthaler, —; Pneumstic Gun Carriage, 2; Wash. Loan and Trust, Co., —; American Security and Trust Co., 40. 1121 Twelfth street northwest, \$8,000. Local Weather Porecast, For the District of Columbia, Maryland, Delaware, Virginia, North Curolina, and South Carolina, warmer; mutherly whals; fair weather, followed to-night by rain;